to one hour equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations; that after general debate the bill be considered for amendment under the fiveminute rule: that the chairman of the Committee of the Whole be authorized to postpone until a time during further consideration in the Committee of the Whole a request for a recorded vote on any amendment; that the chairman of the Committee of the Whole be authorized to reduce to five minutes the minimum time for voting by electronic device on any postponed question that immediately follows another vote by electronic device without intervening business, provided that the time for voting by electronic device on the first in any series of questions shall be not less than 15 minutes; that after the reading of the final lines of the bill, a motion that the Committee of the Whole rise and report the bill to the House with such amendments as may have been adopted, if offered by the Majority Leader or a designee, have precedence over a motion to amend; that at the conclusion of consideration of the bill for amendment the Committee rise and report the bill to the House with such amendments as may have been adopted; and that the previous question be considered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Page H7991

Labor Management Cooperative Efforts: House agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 743, to amend the National Labor Relations Act to allow labor management cooperative efforts that improve economic competitiveness in the United States to continue to thrive—clearing the measure for the President.

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Legislative Program: Representative Walker announced the legislative program for the week of July 22. Agreed to adjourn from Thursday to Monday.

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Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, July 22 for morning hour debates.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of July 24. Page H7991

Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following individuals from private life on the part of the House to the Advisory Committee on Student Financial assistance: Mr. Thomas E. Dillon of California and Mr. William A. Irwin of Pennsylvania.

Defense Authorization Conferees: The Chair announced the following modifications to the Conference appointment to H.R. 3230: Delete section 724 of the Senate amendment from the panel appointed from the Committee on Commerce; the panel from the Committee on Commerce, consisting of Representatives Bliley, Oxley, and Dingell, is also appointed for the consideration of section 3174 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committee on Science is also appointed for the consideration of section 1044 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to Conference.

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Referral: One Senate-passed measure was referred to the appropriate House committee. Page H8027

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H8030–31.

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page H7783

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and four recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H7795–96, H7906–07, H7987, H7988–89, and H7989–90. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the District of Columbia appropriations for fiscal year 1997.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Hazardous Materials approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 3553, Federal Trade Commission Reauthorization Act of 1996; H.R. 447, amended, to establish a toll free number in the Department of Commerce to assist consumers in determining if products are Americanmade; and H.R. 1186, amended, Professional Boxing Safety Act.

OVERSIGHT—TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications and Finance held an oversight hearing on the implementation of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the FCC: Reed E. Hundt, Chairman; James Quello, Susan Ness and Rachelle B. Chong, all Commissioners.

RISING COST OF COLLEGE

Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities: Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education, Training and Life-long Learning held a hearing on the rising cost of college. Testimony was heard from Neal H. Rosenhthyal, Chief, Division of Occupational Outlook, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Department of Labor; and public witnesses.

OMNIBUS CIVIL SERVICE REFORM

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Civil Service approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 3841, Omnibus Civil Service Reform Act of 1996.

POSTAL REFORM ACT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Postal Service continued hearings on H.R. 3717, Postal Reform Act of 1996. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

RIGHTS AND BENEFITS OF STATE AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime held a hearing on the rights and benefits of state and local law enforcement officers, with emphasis on the following bills: H.R. 878, Law Enforcement Officers Bill of Rights; H.R. 218, 1995 Community Protection Initiative; H.R. 1805, to amend title 18, United States Code, to exempt qualified current or former law enforcement officers from State laws prohibiting the carrying of concealed firearms; H.R. 2912, All-O'Hara Public Safety Officers Health Benefits Act; and H.R. 3263, Law Enforcement and Correctional Officers Employment Registration Act 1996. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

SURFACE MINING CONTROL AND RECLAMATION AMENDMENTS ACT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources approved for full Committee action H.R. 2372, Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Amendments Act of 1995.

OVERSIGHT—NATIONAL PARK SERVICE CONCESSIONS MANAGEMENT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Lands held an oversight hearing on National Park Service Concessions Management. Testimony was heard from Victor S. Rezendes, Director, Energy Resources and Science Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, GAO; Roger Kennedy, Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 3816, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997. The rule waives clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations and legislation on general appropriations bills) and clause 6 of rule XXI (prohibiting reappropriations) against provisions in the bill. The rule provides for priority in recognition to those amendments that have been preprinted in the Congressional Record. The rule allows the chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. The rule provides that a motion to rise and report the bill to the House with such amendments as may have been adopted shall have precedence over a motion to amend, if offered by the Majority Leader or a designee after the reading of the final lines of the bill. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Myers of Indiana and Bevill.

NASA'S UNCOSTED CARRY-OVER

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics held a hearing on NASA's Uncosted Carry-Over. Testimony was heard from Thomas J. Schulz, Associate Director, National Security, International Affairs Division, GAO; and Daniel S. Goldin, Administrator, NASA.

UNFAIR GOVERNMENT COMPETITION WITH SMALL BUSINESS

Committee on Small Business: Continued hearings on Unfair Government-Supported Competition with Small Business. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAMS IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on Small Business: Ordered reported amended H.R. 3719, Small Business Programs Improvement Act of 1996.

OVERSIGHT—GSA LEASING PROGRAM

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Economic Development continued oversight hearings on GSA Leasing Program. Testimony was heard from David Barram, Acting Administrator, GSA; J. William Gadsby, Director, Government Business Operations Issues, General Government Division, GAO; and a public witness.

ISTEA REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Surface Transportation continued hearings on ISTEA Reauthorization Transportation Finance in an Era of Scarce Resources: Innovating Financing. Testimony was heard from Representative DeLauro; Mortimer L. Downey, Deputy Secretary, Department of Transportation; John R. Platt, Chief of Staff, Department of Transportation, State of Ohio; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue July 25.

REPLACING FEDERAL INCOME TAX—IMPACT OF INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIVENESS

Committee on Ways and Means: Held a hearing on the impact of international competitiveness of replacing the Federal Income Tax. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ENCRYPTION POLICY BRIEFING

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: The Committee on International Relations and the Committee on the Judiciary met in executive session to receive a joint briefing on Encryption Policy. The Committees were briefed by departmental officials.

Joint Meetings POST-COMMUNIST TRANSITION

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Helsinki Commission): Commission concluded hearings to

examine property restitution, compensation, and preservation in post-Communist Europe, after receiving testimony from Stuart E. Eizenstat, Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade; and Delissa A. Ridgway, Chair, Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JULY 19. 1996

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government, business meeting, to mark up H.R. 3756, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, 10 a.m., SD–192.

Committee on Foreign Relations, to hold hearings on the nomination of Jeffrey S. Davidow, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs, 11 a.m., SD–419.

House

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, Subcommittee on the District of Columbia, oversight hearing on the District of Columbia cash status, operating deficit, and private financial market access, 9 a.m. 2154 Rayburn.